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SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.  
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HOME NEWS.

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TRAIN TIME SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:  
MAIL.  
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Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the FREE PRESS, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscriptions.

**Two Copies for \$3.50.**  
Inasmuch as many persons desire to send copies abroad, and by way of encouragement to do so, we offer two copies of the FREE PRESS at \$3.50—cash in advance.

**Ice cream day and night. Candy Factory.**  
Go to J. H. Rabe's for your choice candies, fruits, nuts, etc.

**Ice cold soda water at CANDY FACTORY.**  
Sweet cider still flows freely at Coppie's.

**Fresh candies every day. Candy Factory.**  
Save money by bringing your butter and eggs to  
TAYLOR & TAYLOR.

**Try Coppie's ice-cold sweet cider.** As a summer beverage it beats the world.

Single copies of the FREE PRESS may be had at the office or at Messrs Russell & Ellison's news stand.

**Pagano & Co.,** sell the famous Windsor unadorned shirt, warranted the best made, for \$5.50 per half dozen.

**Geo. W. Knight, Jeweler,** east side the Plaza, San Marcos.

**Fresh goods arriving daily at**  
TAYLOR & TAYLOR.

**The E. B. Martin place for sale.** Apply to  
T. C. JOHNSON.

**WARRANTY DEEDS for sale at the FREE PRESS office.**  
**CROP MORTGAGES at the FREE PRESS Office.**

**Go to S. L. Pagano & Co.,** and get a pair of those handsome tailor-made pants. A fit guaranteed.

**Half carload of the celebrated flour,** White Swan and Pride of the State, now being received. Prices reduced.

**Johnson & Johnson.**  
Gentlemen visiting the Chautauque will find the finest line of collars, cuffs, half-bores, neckwear, hats and shirts in the town. At  
S. L. PAGANO & CO.'S.

**Invoices of our new fall stock** are now daily arriving. Goods are en route—will arrive in four days. In mean time will offer inducements to reduce stock on hand.  
JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

**Hixie's building is fully transformed** into a dry goods store. J. S. Kellum, proprietor. The stock is not all in, but you will now find there a good supply of boots and shoes, hats, dry goods in variety, trunks, valises, etc. Call and see.

**Mr. Holmes is offering his residence** for sale. It is one of the most attractive places in the city, has large well-ventilated rooms, terrace yard, and beautiful green lawn. It has a street on all sides except the north, and is convenient to the public schools and Chautauque grounds, and when the Chautauque park is improved will be one of the most valuable residences in the city.

**GREGORY & LAWHON,**  
Druggists.

**Wanted—1000 Men**  
To buy spring suits at  
S. L. PAGANO & CO.

**Good Boarding.**  
Persons from the country or others desiring good board with pleasant rooms, will find what they want at Mrs. Souter's, near the freight depot.

**San Marcos and Hays County.**  
The FREE PRESS Extra of Oct. 1883, supplemented by the regular issue of Jan. 28, '86, furnishes the best, most truthful and complete description of our town and country to be had. Call or send to the office for copies—five cents each.

**Notice.**  
The public are notified that the firm of G. W. Reed, Agt., is hereby closed, and the business will be conducted in the future in the name of G. G. Reed & Co., who are responsible for all accounts of G. W. Reed Agt.  
G. W. REED, Agt.,  
G. G. REED & CO.,  
San Marcos, Texas, July 28, 1886.

**Legal Card.**  
W. D. Wood, Sterling Fisher and Owen Ford have associated themselves together for the practice of law in civil matters in Hays County, Texas. Office in Wood's new building, up stairs.  
San Marcos. Oct. 25-ly.

**Plenty of ice-cream at the Candy Factory** on Saturday.

**Millinery.**  
During the present month, Mrs. Richardson, to meet the requirements of increasing trade will open business this fall with a large assortment of goods in her line, in the building next door to that which she now occupies, and all straw goods, ribbons, etc., will be sold extremely low to clear out.

**For Sale—A Cheap Place.**  
A house with six rooms, hall and gallery, with four lots, the rooms all finished, a good underground cistern and cistern house. Situated on block p. w. of College. This property will rent for \$15 per month. Title good, price \$1,250, one-half cash the balance on one year's time with 10 per cent interest. Apply or write to  
June 3rd. Geo. F. WARD.

**I Am Agent For**  
McCormick self binder, Mowers etc, Jackson wagons  
Deer pumps  
Candy sully plows  
Standard cultivators  
Rockwell bar racks  
Wheeler Thrashers  
and other machinery and farm implements for which I solicit orders, guaranteeing lowest prices and best terms.  
Wm. GIBSON.

The San Marcos delegation to Galveston of last week have mainly returned.  
The camp-meeting closed on Tuesday. Mr. Joyce says it was quite successful.

"It is unfortunate that, as it would seem, the ice supply is inadequate at this critical time. People wonder what is the matter."

The notice on our last page of the various summer gatherings of Sunday school teachers and scholars should have been credited to the Chicago Current.

A leather-backed memorandum book, containing an order from "Mr. Peter Taylor" (probably colored), has been handed us by the finder. Owner can have it by paying for this notice.

A fresh supply of the Phenological Journal for June, containing an illustrated account of San Marcos, besides other matters of interest. The latest tribute which has yet been paid to our little city. Call at the

Bookstore.

San Marcos is to have two daily papers during the session of the Chautauque Assembly—the Daily Crescent and the Assembly Beacon—Ex.

The "Daily Crescent" has failed to materialize. The Beacon is issued from the FREE PRESS office.

At a Republican meeting held at Kyle last Monday night, the 24th inst., the following were elected delegates to the county convention to be held in the town of San Marcos on Saturday, the 14th inst. L. H. Martin, J. Hamilton, J. W. Black, Tom Martin and Wm. Proctor.

The first bale of cotton was brought into Kyle on the 7th. W. L. Stephenson was the lucky man. Mr. A. E. Stauley brought in bale No. 2. H. Hellman brought both bales, paying a good price. Cotton is still shedding. Reports from the farmers are that if rain comes in a few days a better crop than last year will be made. In case of no rain one-half a bale will be made—Express.

It would scarcely be believed the difference in temperature between a location on our hills and in the valley part of town. The mercury at "The Hermitage," for instance, has only reached 100° for some ten days past, while in the lower town it has reached 104°. On the higher hills the difference, of course, is greater. We wonder every one who has a place of residence to select does not go to the hills.

**A STRANGE CASE.**—A daughter of Mr. C. P. Collins of this vicinity, who married a Mr. Appleton of Blanco county, a few years ago, was recently found dead in a field of the place where they resided, some distance from the house. Report goes that her husband had been absent during the day previous.

Returning in the evening, he found the two little children alone, the mother missing. Not until the next morning was her body found. Her clothes were torn and her face horribly distorted. As is stated, a jury of five found that her death was caused by high fever.

The Cresset's criticism of the FREE PRESS for using some of the matter of other papers printed at this office, is unjust. We have only done this by permission, the parties being glad to avail themselves of our circulation. As to matter in the Beacon copied by us, we gave in full the announcement of the Assembly in advance of the Beacon, and of its program a few days later, each making over a column. Their publication in our columns was suggested by Mr. DeRose, and was no doubt of great benefit to the movement. The Cresset, with all its professions of zeal in behalf of "Chautauque," failed to publish either. It is on a topic of this sort would seem to be ridiculous on its part.

The great majority of our readers only saw the portions of the small papers referred to which were copied into the FREE PRESS.

Read the August Cosmos, and laugh and grow fat.—Assembly Beacon, Aug. 10.

Read the application of Prof. Morse for government aid for a construction to convey messages from Washington to Baltimore instantly, and laugh and grow fat. There was a great deal of fun and laughter over the young telegraph in the halls of Congress, and the bill barely escaped defeat.

The jokes on the young telegraph stand recorded in the congressional records, to the shame of the perpetrators and their constituents.

If the professors on the Hill will for once try to defend their so-called scientific textbooks against our discoveries on the origin of large springs, caves, mounds, pulsation, paleolithic implements and other topics, and our systems of geography, astronomy and meteorology, then they will find that we hold our own, and they do not hold a single card in their hands. Then, indeed, the harvest of laughing-stock will be immense.—Ed. Cosmos.

Pure blood is absolutely necessary in order to enjoy perfect health. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood and strengthens the system.

**F. B. Bailey—Photographer.**  
Landscapes and architectural views a specialty, with headquarters at Assembly Hill for a few days. Will take views of residences, etc., in town or country on order, addressed through postoffice, or left at Reynolds & Daniels, or bookstore.

**War! War! War!!!**  
Not with Mexico but against high prices. S. L. Pagano & Co., are now selling their spring and summer clothing at reduced prices in order to make room for their immense stock of fall and winter goods.

**A Rare Business Chance.**  
To any person wishing a light, profitable business, we know of no better opportunity than the purchase of the San Marcos Bookstore, which we understand is for sale. Under careful and efficient management, this business has grown from a very small beginning to a well selected Book, Stationery and Notion store, widely known and deservedly popular. The fact of its success is demonstrated by the fact that there is a need for just such an establishment in our town, and with the steady growth of our town and surrounding country in population, wealth and enterprise, the business may be safely counted upon as surely to be even more successful in the future than it has been in the past.

For terms and other particulars inquire at or address the San Marcos Bookstore.

S. L. Pagano & Co. have the nicest line of white stiff and plush hats in the town.

**TO THE PUBLIC.**  
I have sold my stock of groceries to L. B. Killian, who will continue the business at the old stand. I receive and pay all outstanding accounts and all other people owing me to call at the old stand or First National Bank and settle.

**GEORGE BARNES.**  
If you want to keep cool, go to Pagano & Co., and get one of those handsome Ker-folk coats.

**PERSONAL.**  
Col. John S. Ford was present at the reunion on Saturday last.

Little Tommie Curtis, at Mrs. Gallico's, is quite sick of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Lizzie Wood has returned from her sojourn at Centerville, Texas.

Thanks to our friend T. J. Davis, for a handsome present of sweet potatoes.

Dr. J. J. Jones, of Enith county, expects to remove to this place early in the fall.

Dr. Woods is doing his duty by urging attention to sanitary matters in our town.

Dr. Bell left for home on Tuesday evening. He has a desire to locate in this place.

Our ex-Hoosier friend, Mr. Bailey, the artist of Palestine, is here and favored us with a call.

Miss Bettie Ramey, of Austin, is spending a few days in this city the guest of Miss Minnie Maun.

Rev. Geo. B. Killough made us a pleasant call on yesterday. Glad to see him looking very well.

C. H. Rau and family have removed to their ranch in the suburbs. Their town place is for rent.

Mr. R. C. Warn, of Cuero, an uncle of Mr. Chas. Hutchings, is visiting him, and is delighted with San Marcos.

Uncle John Richards has favored us with a copy of the "Carroll News," a Journal from Wales, his native land. Thanks.

Mr. Thomas, Sr., of Fayette county, came in last week, having been summoned here by the sudden death of his wife.

Our friend, Mr. J. E. Hunter, has favored us with a copy of the San Francisco Evening Post, Grand Annual reunion special edition. Thanks.

We trust we shall violate no confidence when we state that the poem which we copy on our last page from the Beacon is from the pen of Rev. Mr. DuBois.

John Marrast, a son-in-law of Judge Cook, died on Saturday evening last at the residence of Owen Ford, Esq. He came a short time before from his home in Houston.

We overlooked, last week, calling attention to the new signs of the FREE PRESS in this vicinity. They are among the best samples of the skill of our Birmingham friend, Mr. Richardson.

Mr. Bailey has favored us with a copy of the Palestine Advocate, containing an engraving of Sam Houston's grave from a photo of Mr. B. followed by some appropriate lines by Mrs. Rose F. Deming.

Philosopher Vogelzang, editor of the Cosmos, is becoming famous. The Galveston News and the Assembly Beacon were notified after him somewhat. But won't the philosopher give them a broadside in return.

Poor Vanlandingham, the blind man, is lying pretty much helpless at his brother's house, which he is being assisted in so great a charge. We think the county should make him a fair allowance.

Mr. Robbins is confined to his bed with something like inflammatory rheumatism. But with the superior nursing he is receiving since the return of his good wife, he may reasonably hope for early recovery, especially if the weather should turn cooler.

Mr. S. P. Chastain has just sold a new piano to Mr. Taylor. It is from the famous piano dealer, Wm. Bourne & Son, of Boston. By the way, Mr. Chastain now has an office and depository of instruments with Mr. Knight on the square. More from him anon.

Uncle Joe Barlow called on us on Tuesday. Being entirely out of the race for sheriff, he asked us to request the newspapers which still run his announcement, to take it out. We suggest that he be re-elected to his present position as a county commissioner "by acclamation."

Our fair, and in every respect admirable, young friend, Miss Lilly McBride, accompanied by an entertaining young friend of hers, Miss Lela Armstrong, of Bell county, favored the FREE PRESS with a call on yesterday. Miss A. has been visiting here for some weeks and is charmed with San Marcos.

The walls of Hutchins's new building are complete, and it makes a fine appearance. Our friend, Jimmy Forsyth, informs us he built the old building, and says Hutchins, when he left, turned over the new one to him for completion, hence the handsome outcome. You can always bank on a "candle S.O.T."

We met Miss Emma H. Eve on Sunday, and were glad to hear that she had found a congenial position with Mrs. Callahan, of Lockhart; also good homes for the children of her deceased brother. They have the best wishes of many friends. Judge Kone and wife and Mrs. Kone, Sr., have been very kind to them.

Mr. Bozarth, of the Wimberly nurseries, informs us that he has a good seed in the way of a well. He dug over 53 feet when the water gushed up and filled it in a few minutes to within three feet of the top. He thinks it will probably overflow on the autumn rains. He must have struck a vein of "Jacob's Well."

We ought, ere this, to have noticed that Mrs. Cresset has added one of the largest size cook stoves to her bakery; the building has also been enlarged, enabling her to keep some boarders; and she has found it necessary or expedient to employ an assistant of the other sex. She makes the first article of bread—hence her increasing trade.

We mentioned last week a call from that prepossessing gentleman, Prof. Saunders, of Georgetown University. We met him some ten years since. He was then connected with the University; now he stands second in the faculty. He presented late catalogues showing the complete success of the institution with which he is so honorably connected.

**Staple's Store.**  
EN. FREE PRESS.—It has been some time since I wrote anything for your paper; will endeavor to scribble a few short lines.

Cotton is looking bad in these parts; thick half bale will be an average crop per acre.

Your correspondent stayed three days at St. Elmo last week; had the pleasure of forming the acquaintance of the beautiful and accomplished Misses Cullen and Miss Wilson. They have a fine lot of patches.

We attended preaching at the Rock Church last night. There were six received into the church last night.

Mrs. W. P. Holmes, of Brownwood, has been down visiting her parents and friends near Staple'sville; will start for home Monday. We wish her a safe and pleasant journey home. Yours truly,  
BILL.

**Science Hall.**  
SCIENCE HALL, Aug. 3, '86.

ED. FREE PRESS.—Mr. Carpenter and his daughter, Mrs. Everett, have just returned from Hutto, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. William Heiskill is erecting a gin near Mr. James Frank's place.

Mrs. Andrews is out canvassing for her school. She meets with flattering success wherever she goes.

We have but few more earnest workers in educational interest than this gifted lady.

Mr. Hopping, of Du Pre, has finished cutting his Johnson grass on the prairie. He reports a heavy crop and good demand.

He sold the last for sixteen dollars per ton. Mr. William Howe, who has been living with Mr. Duncan for several years past, is reported to be very ill.

A great many of the people from this neighborhood are attending the meeting at DuPre.

Prof. Ross, an enterprising young man of our neighborhood, is teaching school near Kogley Hills.

**Mr. Sharp.**  
The cry is for rain. Stock water is getting scarce and grass drying up very fast.

Two men passed here the first of the week on route from Blanco, where they had found two horses that had been stolen June 7th.

Quite an accident occurred at Mr. F. M. Massey's last week. His daughter, some six years old, was turning a grindstone for her brother, about two years older, who was holding a knife. He was leaning on the stone as he was cutting the wood on the stone. The knife slipped and cut his hand on that way until she got tired, she made a pass at him to shove his hand off the stone. As she made the attempt he threw the knife up. She struck it with her open hand. The knife entered the palm of the hand, cutting from the third joint of the first finger down near the ball of the thumb.

The Baptists had a protracted meeting last week. 15 professed religion and 4 joined the church.

Our school is progressing fairly; also Sunday-school.

We are afraid the cotton crop will be cut short for want of rain.

Mr. E. P. Laney, of Wimberly, is having a gin and mill erected at Hill's old place, which Mr. Laney bought this spring. We hope there will be a success.

It is something that has been needed for some time.

J. M. Goss.

**Better than Vacation.**  
This is pre-eminently the vacation month, when thousands seek a change of scene and reaction. But to those who enter the depressing effects of summer debility, the disagreeable symptoms of scrofula, the tortures of biliousness, dyspepsia or sick headache, there is more pain than pleasure in leaving home.

To such we say, "Take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It will purify your blood, tone up and strengthen your body, expel every trace of scrofula, correct biliousness, and positively cure dyspepsia or sick headache. Take it before you go, and you will enjoy your vacation a thousand fold."

The Republicans of Precinct No. 1 of Hays county met last Saturday and elected the following named persons as delegates to the county convention which convenes in Austin, 14th, 1886: G. W. S. Holland, Myrtle Newman, Joseph Cepha, G. W. Buchanan, Rev. J. W. Watson, J. Toliver, A. Kone, J. D. Johns, Rev. A. R. Norris and J. C. Johns. It is hoped every precinct will be fully represented.

J. C. Johns. G. W. S. HOLLAND, Chm.

Why do you go without sex when you can buy 25 pair for a dollar, at  
S. L. PAGANO & CO.

The following further State Sunday School proceedings are continued from first page.

List of delegates and alternates were appointed to the International Sunday School convention of 1887:

The children's mass meeting was the next service, and was addressed by Rev. M. C. Hutton, of Georgetown, and J. P. Lane, of Itasca, both of whom had an inexhaustible fund of anecdote and illustration for the entertainment of the little folks.

The selection of the time and place of meeting for next year was referred to the Executive Committee.

After the adoption of the following resolution, and attention to some other matter of business the convention was, with the Doxology and Benediction, declared by the President, adjourned sine die.

"Resolved, That this association tender their warmest thanks and gratitude to the San Marcos S. S. Assembly & Summer Institute and the citizens of San Marcos for the cordial reception given and the courteous and generous manner in which they have entertained its members."

**Send Us The News.**  
When anybody dies, gets married, runs away, steals anything, builds a house, makes a big sale, or whips his man—or his wife—breaks his leg, or gets the senses kicked out of him by a mule, or does anything that is any way remarkable, and you have reason to believe that you know as much about the occurrence as anybody else, don't wait for some other person to report it, or trust to find it out by indirect, but come and tell us about it, or send the facts on a postal card. In this way news is supplied, and it takes a good supply of that necessary article to make a good home paper. See if you cannot improve this year, and let us know every item that transpires in your neighborhood.

We have several times before copied the above, which one of our Indiana exchanges pertinently keeps standing.

## B. F. BLOUNT & CO., The Cash Grocers OF SAN MARCOS.

We keep a Complete Stock of Fresh Groceries. No stale goods on our shelves. We sell

MORE GOODS FOR THE MONEY

Than any Other House in the City.  
Give us a call and you will be convinced that on Low Prices we are the Leaders.

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The Leading Grocery House.

## H. HARDY & CO., STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

Have recently Come to the Front with a Full Line of Well Selected

Our stock is always kept complete, and buying from first hands for cash enables us to sell at Rock Bottom Prices.

You will be surprised to find out how much you will gain by calling on us and getting our prices.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR COUNTRY PRODUCE.  
H. Hardy & Co., will be found in The Wood Building North of Public Square.  
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**DYSPEPSIA**  
Is a dangerous ailment as it is often mistaken for indigestion. It tends to impair nutrition, and depletes the system, to prepare the way for more serious diseases.

**BROWN'S IRON BITTERS**  
THE BEST TONIC  
Quickly and completely cures Dyspepsia in all its forms. Heartburn, Belching, Flatulence, Stomachic, etc. It cures and restores the blood, stimulates the appetite and aids the assimilation of food. It is a powerful, but pleasant, tonic, and is the only one that is both a tonic and a purgative. It is a powerful, but pleasant, tonic, and is the only one that is both a tonic and a purgative.

Physicians and druggists recommend it.

First Improved Church, Baltimore, Md., says: "Having used Brown's Iron Bitters for Dyspepsia and Indigestion I take great pleasure in recommending it highly. It is a powerful, but pleasant, tonic, and is the only one that is both a tonic and a purgative."

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